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Remarks

The indication that claims 2-7 and 10-20 include patentable subject matter is acknowledged with thanks. In reliance thereon, claims 1 and 8 have been amended to include subject matter of allowable claims 2 and 11, respectively. The remaining dependent claims have been amended into conformance, with claims 2, 11, 13-14, and 17-18 having been canceled.

Claims 1 and 8-9 were rejected as anticipated by POLDERVAAT et al. 7,119,460. Claims 1 and 8 have been amended to include subject matter from allowable claims 2 and 11, respectively. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

In view of the present amendment and the foregoing remarks, it is believed that the present application has been placed in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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